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## **DETAILED ACTION**

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The reply brief filed February 15, 2005 has been entered and considered. The Examiner's Answer does not raise new issues nor does it present new grounds of rejection. The Answer maintains the rejections set forth in the final Office action and merely responds to appellant's arguments. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher S. Kim whose telephone number is (571) 272-4905. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday, 6:30 AM - 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dave Scherbel can be reached on (571) 272-4919. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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